BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING

Tuesday, January 19, 2016 6:30pm

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach was held in the council chamber on the above date.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gary Engelstad opened the meeting with a salute to the flag.

Sunshine Law

The meeting has been noticed publicly according to the Open Public Meetings Act requirement for "Annual Notice", and posted on the official bulletin board.

Roll Call 6:38PM

Present: Council: Cotler, Volante, Goldfarb, Galassetti

Mayor Engelstad

Business Administrator Wilkins Borough Attorney: DuPont

Secretary: Municipal Clerk Mary Ann Solinski

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Council reviewed the Beach Utility Budget with Departments in detail and decided to make changes to the following line items:

Increase Gateman Salary to \$86,000

Reduce Overtime to \$20,000

Reduce Public Works Gasoline to \$4,500

Reduce Rental Bulldozer to \$0 Reduce Storm Fence to \$5,000

Reduce Building and Concession Maintenance to \$5,000

Increase Cap Improvement Fund to \$9,000

Increase Upgrade to Public Safety Station to \$20,000

Increase Social Security to \$86,000

Increase Parking rates to \$1.50 an hour

Increase the Daily Beach Badge fee by \$.50 for 2016

A brief discussion ensued regarding overtime expenses.

Fire Chief Zech asked council for some time to review the Fire Department Budget submitted by outgoing Chief Everett in order that he may meet with his officers and training officials for the Department to determine if any changes will be necessary.

Council also discussed the ability to bring municipal court operations back to Bradley Beach. Councilmen Goldfarb and Volante explained that there are serious safety issues in the Neptune location.

Council reviewed the Arts Council budget with Julia Rand. Mayor Engelstad noted that the Borough did increase the appropriation and cannot entertain an additional increase this year and perhaps the Tourism Commission may be able to assist with some funds this year for the Arts Council events.

Councilman Cotler suggested that perhaps funding be appropriated in the beach utility budget.

Council reviewed the Recreation Department budget. Mr. Heeter advised that the Board would like to implement a couple of new programs this year. He will provide estimated figures for consideration.

ADJOURNMET

ON MOTION by Engelstad / Volante the meeting was adjourned at 8:51PM.

Mary Ann Solinski, RMC, CMC Municipal Clerk

The Workshop Meeting scheduled to immediately following the Budget Workshop was cancelled.